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In response to the Office Action of June 21, 2005, Applicant hereby elects without traverse the claims of group I, that is claims 1-28, 40-79, and 98-99, for examination. Applicant believes these claims are in patentable form and, therefore, respectfully requests that those claims be allowed in a timely fashion.

If there are any matters which can be further clarified by telephone, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

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